Sri B. L. GOWDA (Deputy Minister for Co-operation).—

(*a*) No. Frequent drought conditions alone do not warrant the extension of the Area Development Schemes into any area of any taluk or any other similar region.

(*b*) Does not arise in view of reply to clause (*a*).

(*c*) No. The question of introducing the scheme into the Taluk will be considered only if the scheme is found to be technically feasible and economically sound with reference to the underground water resources in the taluk.

Sri B. L. NARAYANASWAMY.—Has it not come to the notice of Government that the Department of Geology has conducted a survery for developing this area ?

Sri B. L. GOWDA.—They have undertaken surveys in this part of the taluk, but they have not completed the surveys since they have come across certain cases which require detailed examination and that would take about 3 to 4 months. After the surveys are completed we are going to recommend this scheme to the Agricultural Re-finance Corporation.

Iron ore Projects in the State handled by N.M.D.C. Ltd.

21. Sri C. K. RAJAIAH SHETTY (Chicknaikanahalli).—

Will the Minister for Industries, Information and Publicity be pleased to state:—

(*a*) the name of the Iron Ore Projects handled by the National Mineral Development Corporation, Limited in the State ;

(*b*) the estimated cost of Kuduremukh and Donimalai Projects ;

(c) whether the State Government has got any share investment in the said Project ?

Sri A. P. APPANNA (Deputy Minister for Industries),—

(*a*) (1) Donimalai Iron Ore Project and (2) Kuduremukh Iron Ore Project.

(*b*) (1) The estimated cost of Donimalai Iron Ore Project is Rs. 21·54 Crores ; and

(2) The detailed estimates of the total investments in respect of Kuduremukh Iron Ore Project have not yet been worked out.

(*c*) State Government have not invested anything on Donimala Iron Ore Project ;

As regards the Kuduremukh Iron Ore Project, the question of Investment will be taken by the Government of India after the submission of detailed project report now under preparation.

Sri C. K. RAJAIAH SHETTY.—Supplementary to (*b*) : May I know how far the Donimalai Iron Ore Project has progressed ?

Sri A. P. APPANNA.—A sum of Rs. 21 crores has been sanctioned by the Central Government very recently. They are now taking up developmental activities in the mines and construction of quarters and other facilities in the area. The actual mining operations are yet to take place.

Sri C. K. RAJAIAH SHETTY. —Which are the Companies that have come forward for collaboration ? May I know whether any feasibility report has been given by them ?

Sri A. P. APPANNA.—The sum of Rs. 25 lakhs sanctioned by the Central Government is for the preparation of a detailed project report. The Companies that are going to collaborate with the NMDC for the Kuduremukh Iron Ore Project are the Marconis Corporation and 3 Japanese Trading Companies, known as Moyeu.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಂ. ನಾಗಪ್ಪ.—ಇದ್ದೂ ಸ್ಥಳದ ನಿರ್ಣಯ ಆಗಿಲ್ಲ ಎಂದು ಪತ್ರಿಕೆಗಳಿಂದ ತಿಳಿದಿದ್ದೇವೆ. ಈ ಪ್ರಾಜೆಕ್ಟಿನ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಯಾವ ಸ್ಥಳ ನಿರ್ದಿಷ್ಟವಾಗಿ ಕೇಂದ್ರ ಸರ್ಕಾರದವರು ನಿರ್ಣಯ ಮಾಡಿದ್ದಾರೆ ಎಂಬುದನ್ನು ದಯವಿಟ್ಟು ತಾವು ತಿಳಿಸುತ್ತೀರಾ ?

Sri A. P. APPANNA.—The Kuduremukh Iron Ore Project must be in Kuduremukh and nowhere else.

ಶ್ರೀ ಸಿ. ಎಂ. ಎಸ್. ಶಾಸ್ತ್ರಿ.—ಈ ಯೋಜನೆಗೆ ಕೇಂದ್ರಸರ್ಕಾರದವರು 25 ಲಕ್ಷ ರೂಪಾಯಿಗಳನ್ನು ಕೊಟ್ಟಿರುವುದಾಗಿ ತಿಳಿಸಿದಿರಿ. ಅದನ್ನು ಇದುವರೆಗೂ ಯಾವ ಯಾವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಖರ್ಚು ಮಾಡಿದ್ದೀರಿ ಎಂಬುದನ್ನು ತಿಳಿಸುತ್ತೀರಾ ?

Sri A. P. APPANNA.—This money is not given to the State Government, It is given to the NMDC by the Central Government to prepare a detailed project report. It has not come to the State Government and we have no responsibility to spend that amount.

ಶ್ರೀ ಸಿ. ಎಂ. ಎಸ್. ಶಾಸ್ತ್ರಿ.—ಕುದುರೆಮುಖದ ಯೋಜನೆ ಸಂಬಂಧದಲ್ಲಿ ಕೇಂದ್ರ ಸರ್ಕಾರದಿಂದ ಸ್ಟೇಟ್ ಸರ್ಕಾರಕ್ಕೆ ಯಾವ ಹಣವೂ ಬಂದಿಲ್ಲವೇ ?

Sri A. P. APPANNA.—For Kuduremukh as such we have not received any amount. We are undertaking construction of certain roads for facility to be provided for the Kuduremukh Project for which we are seeking loans from the Central Government. As and when it is sought, the Government of India is providing loans for construction of roads.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಬಿ. ಜ್ವಾಲನಯ್ಯ.—ದೋಣಿಮಲೆ ಪ್ರಾಜೆಕ್ಟಿಗೆ ನೀರು ಮತ್ತು ಜಾಗ ಈ ರೀತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಮೈಸೂರು ಸರ್ಕಾರಕ್ಕೆ ಎಷ್ಟರವರೆಗೆ ಸಹಾಯ ಮಾಡಬೇಕೆಂದು ಯೋಚನೆ ಮಾಡಿದ್ದಾರೆ ?

Sri A. P. APPANNA.—As it is, they have requested for certain road facilities which we are undertaking, but all other arrangements including township will be done by the NMDC itself and the entire cost is covered by this Rs. 21 crores sanction.

ಶ್ರೀ ಐ. ಸೋಮಶೇಖರಪ್ಪ.—ಇದರಲ್ಲಿ ಸರ್ಕಾರ ಷೇರ್ ಇನ್‌ವೆಸ್ಟ್ ಮಾಡಬೇಕೆಂಬ ಪ್ರಿನ್ಸಿಪಲ್ ಒಪ್ಪಿಕೊಂಡಿದ್ದೀರಾ ಹೇಗೆ ?

Sri A. P. APPANNA.—Since collaboration arrangements have not been completed, detailed project report has not been prepared. The State Government has not taken any decision so far to participate in the investment.

Sri D. B. KALAMANKAR.—What is the expected royalty from this to the State Government ?

Sri A. P. APPANNA.—That can be assessed only after the detailed project report comes. We must know what is the total production per year.

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಚಿದಾನಂದ.—ಬೆಳತಂಗಡಿಯಿಂದ ಮಾರ್ಗ ಮಾಡಬೇಕೆಂದು ಮಾಡಿದ್ದೀರಿ. ಆ ಮಾರ್ಗ ಎಲ್ಲಿಂದ ಹೋಗುವುದು ಅಂತ ಅನ್ನುವುದನ್ನು ತಿಳಸುತ್ತೀರಾ ?

Sri A. P. APPANNA.—That detail is not with me, but we are trying to approach this area of Kudremukh from different points from Hassan, from Mangalore and other areas so that the people who are working there, may have access to Mangalore as well as to Hassan and other areas. The roads that are being undertaken to develop this area, are not before me.

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಎಚ್. ರಂಗನಾಥ್.—ಕುದುರೆಮುಖ ಪ್ರಾಜೆಕ್ಟನ್ನು ಡೆವಲಪ್ ಮಾಡುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಪ್ರಿಲಿಮಿನರಿಯಾಗಿ ಯಾವ ಯಾವ ರಸ್ತೆಗಳನ್ನು ಡೆವಲಪ್ ಮಾಡುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಸರ್ಕಾರ ತೆಗೆದು ಕೊಂಡಿದೆ ?

Sri A. P. APPANNA.—That detail is not before me at present.

Sri C. K. RAJAIAH SHETTY.—An expert committee of Japanese experts suggested that a pig iron plant could be set up here. In view of the visit of the Chief Minister to Japan and his discussion with industrialists there, does Government propose to set up a pig iron plant there ?

Sri A. P. APPANNA.—That proposal is not before the State Government at present.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Question Nos. 32, 116 and 143 may be taken up together.

Statement of Ministers on grant of Subsidy to Films

32. Sri H. N. NANJE GOWDA (Arkalgud).—

Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that the Cabinet took a decision to abolish the subsidy to the films produced in the State ;

(*b*) whether it is a fact that Sri Ramakrishna Hegde, the Finance Minister informed that the Cabinet has decided to abolish the subsidy from 1st April 1970 ;